

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN  
SOUTHERN DIVISION

JARED BRIKSZA,

Plaintiff,

v.

Case No. 21-10621

Honorable Nancy G. Edmunds

WHOLE FOODS  
MARKET, INC., *et al.*,

Defendants.

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**ORDER DIRECTING PLAINTIFF TO PAY FILING FEE OR SUBMIT  
AN APPLICATION TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS**

On March 11, 2021, Plaintiff Jared Briksza filed his pro se complaint against a number of parties in this Court. (ECF No. 1.) Federal law provides that “[t]he clerk of each district court shall require the parties instituting any civil action . . . to pay a filing fee.” 28 U.S.C. § 1914(a). To ensure access to the courts, however, under 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(1), a court may authorize the commencement of a civil action without the prepayment of fees or costs (“in forma pauperis” or “IFP”) if the applicant submits an affidavit demonstrating that he or she “is unable to pay such fees or give security therefor.”

Here, Plaintiff failed to pay the filing fee or file an application seeking in forma pauperis standing. Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Plaintiff shall, within fourteen (14) days of the date of this order, either (1) pay the \$402.00 civil case filing fee in full or (2) file an application to proceed in forma pauperis supported by an affidavit or declaration complying with 28 U.S.C. § 1746.

Failure to timely comply with this order will result in the dismissal of this case.

SO ORDERED.

s/Nancy G. Edmunds  
Nancy G. Edmunds  
United States District Judge

Dated: March 23, 2021

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing document was served upon counsel of record on March 23, 2021, by electronic and/or ordinary mail.

s/Lisa Bartlett  
Case Manager